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This is in response to the Notice of Incomplete Reply dated December 11, 2001, of the Initial Patent Examination Division of the Patent and Trademark Office, the period for response to which is set to expire on December 22, 2001. Submitted herewith is the Abstract for the above-captioned application.

No fee is required for this submission. However, if there is a fee, you are authorized to debit **Deposit Account Number 08-1480**. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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A complete reply must be timely filed to prevent ABANDONMENT of the above-identified application.

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